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# THRILLS OF THE R.U. GAME



*Scenes such as this are marking games working up to the sternly fought final.*





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# TATTERSALL'S CLUB

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## The CLUBMAN'S Corner



**CLEM WITHYCOMBE**, one of the old school of racegoers—his colors have been carried by good 'uns and his memory goes back to famous Ettie de Mestre—is not impressed by time records as a yardstick of class.

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**FOR** example, he does not think Phar Lap's better times make him necessarily a better horse than Carbine, and adds: "Jan bettered Phar Lap's time for two miles; but if Jan and Phar Lap met to-day how far behind Phar Lap would Jan run?"

### TOLD IN CLUB

**WHEN** curiosity finally got the best of the boss, he went over to the typist's desk and asked: "And what do you say when the counter-clerk whispers sweet little nothings into your ear?" The typist smiled and answered: "I whisper back sweet little nothing-doings".

**JOHN T. JENNINGS** was shown over the set-up for the Olympic Games in Melbourne last month and was impressed with the planning on a broad scale and the magnitude of the work.

**REG ALDERSON's** tour of England provided the right tonic. He now looks a different man physically and told club members on returning—he visited the club within hours of stepping off the ship—that he is as good as ever he was before being overtaken by illness.

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**SEP PROSSER**, occasional visitor, has worked out a philosophy of life in retirement. "Far from the madding crowd", persons and events on a universal scale fall into clearer perspective, and Sep is able better to assess who's who and what's going on.

## EDITORIAL: Forward Thinking

*The Fourth Floor has been given rejuvenating touches and is now more beautiful to look upon while retaining its dignity in setting and high standard of service.*

*Here, as heretofore, you may bring a friend or friends confident that everything will be of the best; nothing better in town, in fact.*

*Members have commented on the pleasing influence of the redecorated lounges and dining room and commended the Chairman and the Committee for their planning to keep Tattersall's Club, with a tradition of nearly a century, the admiration of visitors, not only in Australia, but beyond.*

*What has been done on the Fourth Floor is part of a progressive programme blueprinted by the*

*Chairman and the Committee to provide 100 per cent. amenities; a policy of forward thinking through which they have retained the goodwill and confidence of the membership.*

*The programme was no new idea but had been formulated for some time and its implementation was effected at the earliest date possible.*

*The Chairman and the committee are eager that every member should convey to them ideas to promote within the club, not only physical aids to comfort and convenience, but those spiritual contributions to continued goodfellowship on which the club's functioning is firmly based.*

*As written here before, the committee is not a body apart, but an integral part of the general membership, seeking co-operation from one and all.*



## CLUBMAN'S CORNER

THE mercurial met the dour when Jack Shaw took on E. K. White at snooker in a luncheon-hour break. This observer had to leave while they were fighting it out mid-way. Probably one or other of the handicappers were taking note of the form revealed.

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BERT BOWSER was telling at Warwick Farm of a horse named Cool Sam which he had backed when it did not win and failed to back when it did win. No aspersions; just bad luck. But as Bert proceeded the story became involved. One of the group, taking up the tangled skein, kept referring to "Slippery Sam" which further complicated the news.

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AMONG veteran first-nighters at shows produced on the legitimate stage are Tom Prescott and Ernest Lashmar. They can walk a long way back down Memory Lane.

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BILL FOSTER still looks in for luncheon although not so regularly as when conditions permitted. Recently he sat at the table where regulars foregathered, but they had shifted camp to other sections of the room.

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THE LUNCHEON-HOUR break is employed profitably by some business men in relaxing in the club room with a magazine and others have a regular nap. Still more bring friends to lunch to "talk over things". One such volunteered: "This club has the right atmosphere".

One who attends regularly for a short session of reading is Brendon Dowling.

## FRANK UNDERWOOD —

### *Sportsman*

**Written for Tattersall's Club Magazine by a club member who knew Frank Underwood for half a century, covering his period as an active R.U. player and, later, in his administrative roles.**

FRANK UNDERWOOD had lived so long as to be remembered by three generations of sportsmen, in turn as active participant, administrator and legendary figure, that his longevity began to be accepted as permanence.

Here was a man who had discovered the Elixir of Life, dissolving the corroding inroads of time. No more was this than a feeling foaled of fantasy. So many wished that the G.O.M. of sport, who had out-last-ed so many, would keep up the good work.

Frank himself had believed, up to his involuntary withdrawal from the scene, that he was still good for many years. He told friends: "There's nothing really wrong with me except my legs have let me down." Here he would pause, then add: "But only for the present."

He had the will to be out and about and, although he was unaware of it, that state of mind contributed considerably to his remaining so long in active contact with the familiar scene.

He never acknowledged inactivity as a condition of mind or body, and bore himself as a challenger, if not outright conqueror, of the static. The lengthening shadows bore no special significance for this valiant old warrior. His pre-occupation was with living.

He has taken out of life as much as he put into it in affection, benevolence, benefaction.

He brought to every sphere he entered goodwill and enlightenment, conviction and courage. As in the R.U. games against N.Z. and Britain, he pushed in

the scrum mightily in whatsoever he enlisted. He fought hard in all endeavors, but bore no grudges.

### Long Club Membership

Frank Underwood became a member of Tattersall's Club on September 30, 1909. He was elected to the committee on April 24, 1924 and served until he resigned as committeeman on June 8, 1949, and was elected an honorary life member on June 20, 1949.

He was for many years secretary of the N.S.W. Sports Club, a Director of Canterbury Park Racing Club until it was bought out by Sydney Turf Club, and a Director of Sydney Turf Club until his death.

Sydney Turf Club instituted the Frank Underwood Cup in his honor and henceforth it will perpetuate his memory. In many attempts, he picked the winner only once; then by backing every horse in the race.

He was manager in 1906 of the most formidable, and successful, boxing team ever to represent N.S.W. at the Australian amateur boxing championships: Reg L. ("Snowy") Baker, middleweight; Tommy Dickerson, lightweight; Duncan Parbery, featherweight; Frank Fitzjohn, bantam.

Frank Underwood confirmed the general belief that Duncan Parbery was "the greatest ever" of amateur boxers, Australian and N.Z.

This club, as well as other institutions, will be poorer by the loss of Frank Underwood, but his memory will remain as an incentive and an inspiration.



## Club Corner

**A. P. ("BILL") MACKIE**, past president of Sydney Club, is chairman of the attendance and registrative committee for a Pacific Regional Conference of Rotary International, and as such is making many trips to various centres.

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**"BILL"** started off with a good stock of yarns, bright and original, with which to enliven proceedings, but soon found that good yarns, like good news, travelled quickly. Replacing the stale with the fresh, or redressing the old in new wordy raiment, has furrowed Bill's noble brow.

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**BILL THOMAS** one of Sydney's big men of real estate, told of once having bought a hole in the ground; at first thought an enterprise on all fours with the man who bought the sun dial in the Botanic Gardens.

The hole Bill Thomas bought was in sandhills where real estate values were on the up and up. Bill had the hole filled in and in due course . . . well, the rest of the story may be guessed.

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**HOME** from overseas: Adolph Basser, Ken Ranger, Joe Harris, Tom Powell, Herbert Phillips.

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**AND** so it came to pass that Arthur Miller, being chairman of the Billiards and Snooker committee, together with fellow committeemen in that department, W. Longworth and Eric Westhoff, did contest the billiards final with Eric Westhoff, not by design, but through the fortunes of the game; and that, further, they with Bill Longworth had worked out the handicaps.

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**WHEREUPON** fellow members of the general committee,

## Happy Birthday Greetings

*An old greeting, but ever new: Good health, good luck and a toast to you!*

*Though your days be many or, maybe, few, what else may fail you, what else you rue, count us among the tried and the true.*

### SEPTEMBER

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|------------------|---------------------|
| 1 P. E. Smith    | 16 A. L. King       |
| R. P. Miller     | Leonard Hase-       |
| 2 P. M. King     | mer                 |
| W. H. Bentley    | E. M. Adnam         |
| R. Westfield     | J. L. Sims          |
| R. H. Taylor     | S. G. Mont-         |
| G. R. Hewson     | gomery              |
| Dr. H. C. Barry  | W. G. Spencer       |
| 3 N. V. Browne   | 17 S. E. Chatterton |
| L. F. Thorpe     | H. V. S. Kirby      |
| H. F. Watson     | Ronald Payne        |
| Dr. L. Leonard   | K. W. Brooks        |
| Greenberg        | A. L. Carthew       |
| 4 W. G. Hutchin- | 18 W. J. P. Dow-    |
| son              | sett                |
| W. J. Laforest   | A. P. Barnes        |
| 5 S. M. Norton   | 19 W. R. Lindroos   |
| L. A. Silk       | 20 Dr. K. J. Byers  |
| 6 W. C. Adams    | C. H. Dodds         |
| D. G. Coliins    | W. J. Aitken-       |
| Dr. L. E.        | head                |
| McDermott        | 21 Mark Barnett     |
| 7 R. A. Dunstan  | T. R. Robson        |
| N. B. Frisk      | Dr. R. H. Small     |
| A. E. Scott      | 22 John Hickey      |
| 8 J. J. Crennan  | E. F. Krieger       |
| H. T. Alce       | A. S. Price         |
| A. Adamson       | R. C. Harris        |
| A. A. McDon-     | 23 Rex Cullen-      |
| ald              | Ward                |
| A. M. Brown      | C. Y. Varley        |
| 9 Senator N.     | Dr. C. M.           |
| McKenna          | Guiney              |
| J. C. Clarke     | H. G. Hayward       |
| Mr. Justice J.   | R. T. Scott         |
| Richards         | 24 N. H. H.         |
| M. R. Bates      | Ellison             |
| 10 Alfred Moss   | J. E. Phelps        |
| R. R. Paxton     | A. H. Mc-           |
| D. C. Mitton     | Naughton            |
| A. H. Garratt    | J. M. Forsyth       |
| J. H. Peoples    | 25 R. L. Mont-      |
| J. N. Caldwell   | gomery              |
| R. F. Williams   | K. F. Williams      |
| 11 E. C. Harnett | T. J. Barrell       |
| W. F. Naughton   | David Abbott        |
| 12 N. V. Coxon   | 26 W. Longworth,    |
| Rolf Hansen      | Snr.                |
| Charles Smith    | P. Pilcher          |
| W. C. William-   | C. H. Oswald-       |
| son              | Sealy               |
| Judge W. J.      | R. C. Reed          |
| Dignam           | A. L. Stack         |
| 13 A. O. Romano  | R. P. Truman        |
| L. A. Cunich     | 27 J. S. Irwin      |
| William Lowe     | S. Stein            |
| 14 W. K. Sherman | F. A. McCure        |
| 15 F. Gawler     | C. E. Forrest       |
| S. N. West       | 28 E. A. Nettlefold |
| W. Dittfort      | F. J. Geddes        |
| F. Economus      | J. R. Strong        |
| E. A. O'Hal-     | T. A. Field         |
| loran            | Eric Siddins        |
| Bert M. Clark    | J. C. C. Wil-       |
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| 29 G. J. Tupling  | W. H. Sellen  |
| R. E. Fortescue   | G. D. Banks   |
| Walter Jones      | W. J. Cheese- |
| 30 J. T. Mitchell | man           |

### OCTOBER

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| 1 W. H. McLach-    | 17 S. Norman       |
| lan                | H. C. Hender-      |
| 2 Dr. H. M.        | son                |
| Owen               | J. P. Bentley      |
| W. Ross Alex-      | 18 G. M. Burden    |
| ander              | Allan Turner       |
| J. G. Hurley       | P. R. Buik         |
| D. L. Flannery     | 19 J. W. Drewette  |
| 3 D. J. Benjamin   | R. E. Callaghan    |
| P. Flitcroft       | Claude A. Fay      |
| S. J. Callinan     | K. G. Jones        |
| R. J. Moloney,     | F. H. Savage       |
| Snr.               | N. W. Elson        |
| 4 L. C. Wicks      | 20 E. J. Millar    |
| M. G. Lawton       | J. F. Kirk-        |
| F. M. Todd         | patrick            |
| P. H. Budden       | R. J. Lye          |
| 5 F. P. Robinson   | 21 E. R. Deveridge |
| J. E. Wilson       | W. K. Fagan        |
| W. A. Rodger       | W. J. Melville     |
| E. Linton          | 22 H. J. Hendy     |
| Hon. M. O'Sul-     | J. W. Mackie       |
| livan              | J. L. Buckle       |
| 6 Mr. Justice      | P. W. Robinson     |
| Toose              | 23 F. H. Hunting-  |
| W. G. Harris       | ton                |
| 7 Stanley Isaacs   | L. H. Nuland       |
| Eric S. Wood-      | 24 L. O. H.        |
| ward               | Williams           |
| 8 Dr. R. Mackey    | D. S. Orton        |
| I. M. Buchanan     | J. J. O'Shan-      |
| N. H. Joseph       | nassy              |
| R. G. Gregory      | W. T. Walling-     |
| 10 S. R. Lamond    | ton                |
| J. C. Glass        | 25 W. K. A. Schau- |
| B. Trimmell-       | felberger          |
| Ritchard           | W. R. Chalmers     |
| 11 Herbert Hole    | 26 S. D. Kennedy   |
| 12 Frank Selkig    | B. E. Schaaf       |
| J. H. Holman       | Joseph Glass       |
| H. L. Saulwick     | J. F. Flitcroft    |
| 13 Judge G. J. J.  | R. J. Moloney,     |
| O'Sullivan         | Jnr.               |
| 14 H. Townend      | 27 Dr. N. Alsaker  |
| A. Les Cooper      | C. H. Fischer      |
| E. L. Paul         | 28 Judge F. C.     |
| W. R. De Meur      | Hidden             |
| 15 J. B. Colgan    | 29 G. B. Bowser    |
| W. B. Carpen-      | G. Carlos          |
| ter                | R. G. Spencer      |
| 16 F. E. Shepherd, | 30 D. G. Cohen     |
| Jnr.               | T. B. Abernethy    |
| E. W. Vanden-      | 31 D. J. Robertson |
| berg               | A. M. Borth-       |
| S. E. Butler       | wick               |
| R. E. Merrin       | E. G. Lane         |

**Members are invited to notify the Secretary of the date of their Birthday.**

urged on by members, competitors and spectators, did shout: "Call the stewards!" Here was proof, my brothers, that jesters will have their say at the expense of the innocents.

**AND**, lo, Miller, runner-up, was overheard to crack to Westhoff, winner: "Brother, we can always pass the buck to Bill Longworth". Quoth Westhoff: "Brother, you've said a mouthful."



# THE NEW LOOK WITH THE OLD DIGNITY

**THIS** and other pictures elsewhere show what has been achieved in renovating all departments of the Fourth Floor, and on the appearance of which members will share the satisfaction of the committee.

Tattersall's Club in its amenities will be kept abreast of the times and, not only in appearance, but in service also, it will continue to rate as the best club in its sphere South of the Line, while bearing comparison with noted clubs overseas.

**Tattersall's Club has a tradition for leadership in sportsman-**

**ship built up by wise direction over nearly a century.**

The club is recognised by members as their second home, a place to where on appropriate occasions they may bring their families, assured of courtesy and service.

As the committee enters upon further stages of renovation it feels assured that it may claim what is essential: the co-operation of the membership through their regular patronage of the club and their aid by constructive suggestions.

The Chairman and members of the committee sincerely invite

members, one at all, to submit suggestion on any aspect of club management. Such will be accorded our close attention.

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**SAM LANDS**, returned from a holiday in Tahiti, says: "That island has been described truly as the Paradise of the South Pacific."

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**GEORGE TANCRED** phoned secretary Dave Dawson from Rotorua whether he had gone after seeing the third Test, Springboks v. N.Z.



*The Dining Room on the 4th Floor*



## Passing of Club Members

DEATH OCCURRED on August 14 of John N. Lawson of "Arrowfield", Jerry's Plains, Singleton. He was born in Sydney of a Hawkesbury pioneer family and educated at Sydney's Boys' High School and the Sydney University, where he graduated in veterinary science.

He was appointed veterinary officer with the New Zealand Department of Agriculture. Returning to N.S.W. after four years, he took over a dairy property on the Lower Hunter River, but transferred his interests to western N.S.W. upon his marriage to Jess Orchard in 1925.

In 1931 he won the Macquarie seat in the House of Repre-

sentatives and held it for three terms.

Mr. Lawson was Minister for Trade and Customs in the Menzies Government in 1939. On retiring from politics he returned to properties he leased in the Central West, and five years later purchased "Arrowfield", Jerry's Plains. There he bred thoroughbred horses and developed a first-class dairy herd.

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FRANK BUCKLE (89), who died in August was formerly a member of this club with his brother Bill, who predeceased him. Club members John Buckle

and his son John are son and grandson respectively of the late Frank Buckle.

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NORMAN BROWN, brother of Bert and Russell, died suddenly. He was a patron of racing, like his brothers, and his sportsmanship won him legion friends. His greatest horse was Grecian Orator.



**CHRISTMAS CARDS** now available at Bottle and Grocery Department, 1st Floor. Printing of name and address of sender may be arranged at small extra cost.



*View of Lounge and Lounge Bar, 4th Floor*





*View of the Coffee Lounge on the 4th Floor*

## TATTERSALL'S CLUB, SYDNEY

*The following have been proposed as Members:—*

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SHIPTON, Jack .. .. .	Food Technologist .. .. .	Strathfield .. .. .	Dr. R. I. Eakin .. ..	E. J. Baulman
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NALDER, Gordon Francis ..	Bank Manager .. .. .	Willoughby .. .. .	T. Clune .. .. .	E. Stephenson
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SPENCE, Barry Blackwood ..	Medical Practitioner .. .. .	Coogee .. .. .	J. Dexter, Snr. .. ..	J. O. Dexter
KEELER, John Arthur .. ..	Company Director .. .. .	Strathfield .. .. .	C. A. Summerhayes ..	Erik Sodersten
PEARCE, Harry Hubert .. ..	Owner .. .. .	Ashfield .. .. .	F. F. Saba .. .. .	W. H. Loudon



# SPORTS WIDOWS IN REVOLT

**Sports widows have been known to retaliate. One woman said she served her husband canned and only slightly heated hash every time he came home from an overlong golf session. If he's reasonable about golf, he gets a good dinner—if not, lukewarm hash.**

**A** HOUSEWIFE, whose husband planned a fifth fishing week-end in a row, turned off the alarm clock in the middle of the night. He overslept, his friends left without him and he stayed home.

"We're sports widows even when our husbands stay home", say other wives.

This group complains that their men plonk themselves down before the radio set for sports programmes, at once becoming oblivious to everything else. One mother of two small children described her situation thus: "On Saturday afternoon, he is with us only physically. He just lies stretched across the couch, listening to the football."

A rueful comment came from one wife. When she upbraided her husband for his intense devotion to sports, he replied: "Dear, I've loved football for forty years and I've loved you for only twenty. So take it from there." (writes "Digest of World Reading").

Many women reported frequent set-tos about radio programmes—he insisting on a sports event, she on a play or variety show.

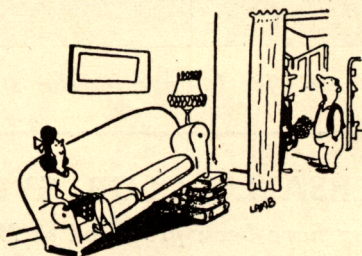
"Men drag us out to watch sports against our will." This came from women who were interviewed in sports arenas and admitted candidly they would rather be at the movies or a party but tagged along just to keep peace in the family.

"Men make us participate in

sports against our will." Most vocal here were wives and girl friends whose men cheerily assert they'll be "absolutely nuts about the game once you've learned."

## Liked His Horses

One girl said her fiance insisted she learn to ride horses. She tried, disliked it intensely and finally told him to choose between her and his beloved equines. He did, and now she's got another boy friend. A wife,



**"COME IN, she is expecting you"**

whose husband urged her to try ice skating at a winter resort fell and sprained her ankle. Her comment: "It served him right. He had to get his own meals for three weeks."

"Men exclude us from sports."

The existence of this group came as a surprise. Sports authorities, however, claim a sizeable number of women feel this way. For example, Mel Allen, the noted sports-caster, finds that a lot of wives "are actually fighting not to be left out." Golfing experts say women now make up about 30 per cent. of the players at many clubs, and tennis, too, has many more women fans. Nat Loubet, managing editor of "Ring Magazine", reports an increased feminine interest in boxing.

These wives, however, complain that the men don't want them around. Sports, the men say, are for men only. They are not, the women reply. Result: sulking and pouting.

At a famous restaurant, Greta Garbo ordered oysters the other day. "I want them not too big and not too small," she said. "Not too iced and not too salty." The maitre d'hotel bowed. "With or without pearls, madame?" he asked.

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The old fashioned petticoat had at least one virtue: Its swish warned a man when he was being stalked.

## OLYMPIC GAMES SPECIAL NUMBER

**OCTOBER ISSUE** of Tattersall's Club magazine will be a special Olympic Games number, including an eight-page color supplement highlighting by pictures and articles the history and purpose of the Games as well as providing information covering prospects and including the complete official programme.



# ENGLISH DERBY WINNER

LAVANDIN, English Derby winner, is a bay colt by Verso II out of Lavande, by Rustom Pasha out of Livadia by Epinard traces back to Needle Rock, dam of Diolite winner of the 1930 English 2,000 Guineas and third in the Derby. Verso II, winner of a wartime French Derby and St. Leger, had not hitherto sired a Classic winner. Lavande, now twenty years old, had previously

bred Le Lavandou a high-class sprinter, who is at stud in County Kildare. Lavandin, a slow maturing sort, did not race until November last year when in a field of twenty-four, he was beaten a short head by Hamama over six furlongs. This season, after winning his first race, he was regarded as unlucky when third in the 1½ mile Prix Hocquart at Longchamps.

## CHAMP. SWIMMERS AIDED BY CLUB

AUSTRALIA and the world have been amazed by times shattering world records which Lorraine Crapp and Dawn Fraser have registered as well as by the outstanding performances of Henricks, among others. These young champions have been aided in their preparation by swimming during winter months in Tattersall's Club pool, placed at their disposal by courtesy of the committee.



**AN ACTION SHOT** at Menangle Park Raceway, beautiful "out of town" course of the N.S.W. Trotting Club. Mid-week meetings at Menangle Park are popular with trotting fans and last season average daily attendance was 3,241, an increase of 691 on the previous season.

—Courtesy "Trotting Life."



# FIERCE OLYMPIC 440 METRES

**P**ROBABLY the bitterest of all Olympic controversies centred in the 400 metres run at the 1908 Games in London. The final was to be fought out by four runners—an Englishman, Lieutenant Wyndham Halswelle, of the Highland Light Infantry, who was subsequently killed in World War I, and three Americans—J. C. Carpenter, W. C. Robbins, and J. B. Taylor.

Antagonism simmered before the event. The more sensational English papers baldly stated Halswelle had no chance because of the tactics the Americans would use against him. The American authorities resented the suggestion. The team coach, Mike Murphy, called his three men in and told them to keep

well clear of Halswelle to avoid trouble (quoting Sydney "Daily Mirror" feature article).

The race itself was close all the way. Coming into the home stretch, Carpenter, of Cornell University, was leading. Robbins, of Harvard, followed him. Halswelle was third. Suddenly there was uproar. Somebody yelled "Foul!" Officials crowded across the track. Someone, never identified, broke the tape. There was thus no race.

Carpenter, Robbins and Halswelle crossed the line in that order. The fourth man, Taylor, found his patch blocked by gesticulating, shouting men, and pulled up. The Americans did not know what had caused the trouble. Furious Britons soon

enlightened them. They alleged that Carpenter and Robbins had deliberately crowded Halswelle. As a result they were declaring "No race."

The race was ordered to be re-run a few days later. By then the Americans were as furious as the British. They refused to take any part in the re-run. As a result, Halswelle had a walk-over, running easily around the course by himself and clocking 50 seconds.

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## MATCH RACES

FROM a club member: S.M. Herald wrote of the meeting at Canterbury of El Khobar and Syntax as a match race, "the first of its kind in Sydney for 30 years", adding:

"The last official match race in Sydney was at Victoria Park in 1922 when champion ponies Little Marg (N.S.W.) and Golden Glove (Vic.) met over 5f. Little Marg was trained by Johnny Donohoe and Golden Glove by Dave McNamara, the footballer.

Little Marg and Golden Glove raced for a £1,000 side wager. Little Marg struck the running rail soon after the start and lost all chance.

The nearest approach to a match race in Sydney in recent years was the clash between Comic Court and Grey Boots in the Chipping Norton Stakes at Randwick in 1951. Ridden by J. Thompson, Comic Court (7-4 on) defeated Grey Boots (6-4), ridden by R. Heather, by two and a half lengths."

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I would not marry a literary man for worlds. They are always doing too much and one can only give them help by being hopelessly dull so that they may relax their minds and rest themselves in the security of one's stupidity.—Mrs. Kipling in a letter.



**AUSTRALIA'S CHAMPION pacer, Ribands, with his proud owners, Mrs. A. and Mr. F. P. Kelloway. Ribands won his first race in the U.S. attractively.**

—Courtesy "Trotting Life."



## TULYAR FOR U.S.

TULYAR, winner of the English Derby, St. Leger and Eclipse Stakes, was bought recently by 13 American breeders and will stand in Kentucky. He stood originally at the National Stud in Eire.

Reporting the departure, "Sports Illustrated" write: "It was a matter of grave importance. Following him to the plane there was a quarter-of-a-mile procession of the local gentry, Irish breeders, farmers and even mothers trailing baby carriages."

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A Tennessee hillbilly had been calling on his girl for almost a year, when pappy finally cornered him one night and asked: "Tell me, you've been seeing Nelly for nigh onto a year—what are your intentions—honourable or dishonourable?" The hillbilly's eyes sparkled: "You mean I got a choice?"



***TULYAR (Tehran-Neocracy) is set in classic mould; a thoroughbred of the Blood Royal. He won £76,000 in Stakes. He won twice at two years and at three years won the English Derby, St. Leger, Eclipse, King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes, Ormonde Stakes, Derby Trial Stakes and Henry VIII Stakes. He was recently acquired by an American stud at a huge figure. Tulyar was bred at the Aga Khan's Irish Studs.***

## HOW ABOUT JAZZ MUSIC ?

**Club members who hear jazz music played over the radio and, anon, dance to its rhythm, would they declare it a legitimate art form? An American writer tells of the lessons of a jazz festival.**

**J**AZZ, rooted as it is in American traditions, has long been recognized as speaking a universal language; and however much it might remain influenced by the American idiom, it is a language being heard and understood by an ever-growing audience abroad.

Recent overseas tours of such American artists as Louis Armstrong and Dizzy Gillespie have met with phenomenal success and the influence of American jazzmen, heard on records, has

given rise to a whole crop of talented performers in other countries. But if, in spite of all this evidence, doubts persisted on the character of jazz as a legitimate art form, the American jazz festival held at Newport, Rhode Island, last month must have done much to dim or dispel them.

For the first time this year the jazz festival featured musicians from such far-flung nations as Germany, Japan, Austria and Mexico. Many at-

tempts were made during the three-day gathering of jazz enthusiasts to define the basic or universal element in jazz that have inspired France's hot clubs and have won fans from Melbourne to Stockholm, from Buenos Aires to Tokyo.

Definitions, of course, varied greatly. But all seemed to point to that quality so basic to jazz: spontaneity. The consensus among several artists interviewed was that jazz springs from the heart and soul of musicians as an irrepressible release of their human emotions and that the sincerity and honesty of their music is felt by listeners regardless of national origin.



# GREAT HORSES IN GRAND NATIONALS

## Put up Epic Performances

**Of all the Grand National stars over the long history of the twin races—Grand National Hurdle—Grand National Steeplechase—none stands out as does Redleap, although he raced only eight times in his life.**

**A TREMENDOUS**, big-boned Dante gelding, he had a mind of his own and ran his races as he pleased. As he generally won it did not matter much.

His career started in 1889, when he cantered off with a Grand National Hurdle with a mere 9.8 on his back. He hardly raced again until his famous year of 1892, when he emerged as equally proficient over hurdles and fences. That year Redleap collected the Grand National Hurdle with 11.11 and the Grand National Steeplechase with the record race burden of 13.3. Later he came out at Caulfield with 13.12 and was untroubled in the Australian Steeplechase (wrote Sydney Daily Mirror in a special feature article).

Before and after Redleap, many good horses won one or both of the Grand Nationals before the advent of another jumping "immortal" in Mosstrooper.

Malua came before Redleap, winning the Grand National Hurdle in 1888. He is unique in that he mixed distances as has no other horse in Australian turf history. He won a Newmarket, an Oakleigh Plate, a Melbourne Cup, and an Australian Cup. Then he was retired to the stud and sired a future Melbourne Cup winner in Malvolio. Returning to training, the veteran had his first and only run over hurdles—and collected the Grand National.

Several horses have successfully come back from a Grand National to the flat. Realm won the Grand National Hurdle in 1906. The following year he won the Australian Cup and the Sydney Cup. Marmont won a Grand National Hurdle, then picked up the next Australian Cup. Saul did almost the reverse—the Australian Cup in 1941 and the Grand National Hurdle next year. Claudette, who was placed in the 1943 Melbourne Cup, mixed hurdling and flat racing. She won the Grand National Hurdle that same year.



The Grand Nationals have been remarkably free of rackets. The 1906 Grand National meeting, however, saw the audacious Blue Jacket betting ramp—but in another race. Before the Footscray Steeple on the last day of the meeting, Blue Jacket was backed sensationally in city betting shops. After the race a telegram was received by a Press service announcing the winner as Blue Jacket. The

news was relayed to the betting shops. Large sums were paid out before the telegram was found to be a fake. The real winner was Error. Blue Jacket had not even started.

In 1941 Cheery Jack (having won the 1940 Grand National Hurdle) was a hot favorite for the Steeple. Someone "got at" the popular old horse with strychnine. It nearly died and its career was cut short.

Mosstrooper was undoubtedly the greatest of the modern Grand National stars. Like Redleap, Mosstrooper completed the double of Hurdle and Steeple in the one year, 1930. He also collected two Australian Hurdles and an Australian Steeplechase.

Redditch was another good one, who endeared himself with Melbourne racegoers. He won two Australian Steeples in 1933-34, both with the steadier of 12.13. In 1933 he beat the ageing Mosstrooper, but had to break a record to do it. Redditch won the Grand National Steeplechase that year, too. He was second in 1934. In 1935 Redditch fell in the Grand National Steeplechase and had to be destroyed. A public outcry followed, which resulted in the final replacement of the old-time suicide fences.

### Winterset, Idol

Winterset was the next jumping idol. He won many races both over fences and hurdles, accumulating £11,000 in stakes, but the draught horse weights he was asked to lump always beat him in the Grand National.

There's no great favorite like Winterset racing now. But, as always, the public turns out in force to see the Grand National Hurdle and Grand National Steeplechase.



# ***The Speed Merchants of Yesteryear***

**PROBABLY** the first of the great fast bowlers—and the first to earn the label “Demon”—was giant John Jackson. Jackson came out here with Parr’s team in 1863 and played a big part in winning every match.

Black-haired, bearded and of terrifying height, Jackson cowed opposing bats so effectively that few remained before the wicket as he hurtled to the crease. It was a brave man who was not edging out towards square leg, before the ball left the Demon’s hand. These surrenders were responsible for such Jackson records as six wickets with seven balls in a county match, and nine wickets in an innings for South of England at Nottingham in the 1850’s.

Australian fast bowling started with our “Demon” Spofforth, and his great partner, Harry Boyle. Both could send down their share of thunderbolts, but were masters rather of length and guile than all-out speed merchants.

For that reason, Australia’s first true trundler of muzzle velocity in the immortal class was probably Ernest (Jonah) Jones. You could not see the ball when “Jonah” bowled. Some experts rate him among the first two or three fastest of all time. Jones lives in cricket history for his famous singeing of Dr. Grace’s beard in England in 1899. That day another of his meteors broke two ribs of Englishman F. S. Jackson. The innings yielded Jones seven English wickets for 84. His wickets included stars in Grace, Jackson, Ranjitsinhji, C. B. Fry, Shrewsbury and William Gunn.

In other matches on that tour, English professionals tried to get out as quickly as possible against Jones to avoid injury that could destroy their livelihood. “I’ve got a wife and two children to support,” said one apologetically as he walked back to the pavilion.

Ernest Jones is often classed with Essex amateur C. J. Kortright as the fastest bowler of all time.

C. B. Fry believed Kortright could deliver a faster ball, but for consistent pace the ox-like strength of the Australian made him supreme. Kortright on occasions sent down thunderbolts that knocked batsmen’s bats from their hands to be caught by the wicket-keeper. His run was so long new spectators thought he was retiring to the pavilion. At a village green match he once whizzed a ball past the batsman, wicketkeeper and two longstops. A spectator on the boundary tried to stop the meteor with his coat. It kept going through the coat—so fast that it crippled a dog on the other side.

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## **CRICKET VETERAN**

Kenneth E. Burn, the world’s oldest former Test cricketer, died in Hobart in July, aged 93 years. He was the only surviving member of the Australian team which played against W. G. Grace’s Eleven in England in 1890. Mr. Burn was also a member of the Tasmanian team which toured New Zealand in 1884. He represented Tasmania many times against Victoria and New South Wales.

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## **OBITUARIES**

N. ST. L. BOYLAN: Elected, 21/6/1937; died, 4/8/1956. H. L. WILLIAMS: Elected, 25/5/1943; died, 7/7/1956. Hon. J. N. LAWSON, Elected, 29/7/40; died, 14/8/1956. K. J. PATRICK: Elected, 26/8/1935; died, 22/8/1956. F. G. UNDERWOOD (Hon. Life Member): Elected, 30/8/1909; died, 23/8/1956; A. H. HATTERSLEY: Elected, 28/4/1930; died, 25/8/1956. N. H. B. BROWN, Elected, 31/3/1952; died, 31/8/1956.

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## **DONCASTER MEMORY**

ONE OF the most interesting incidents connected with the A.J.C. Doncaster Handicap was the riding of the three place-getters in 1896 by the brothers Delaney, who were foremost horsemen of the period. Jack Delaney rode the winner, Courallie; Austin Delaney was on the second horse, True Blue; and W. (Bill) Delaney piloted the third horse, Response. Courallie was a son of Gemma Di Vergy, and was bought to race in India after his Doncaster victory.

W. Delaney rode John Mayo’s mare, Lady Trenton, to victory in the Sydney Cup of 1894.

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Len Hutton had been bowled at the Oval. The pavilion critics were busy analysing the ball which got him. It was a “wrong ‘un,” it had “come with the arm,” it had “swung late.” “What was wrong with that one, Len?” a friend asked. “Wrong?” he said. “I missed it.”

The sticky story that he told still wasn’t one to make us gape. By no means might one class it bold—it had to do with sticking tape.



# Marriage-Tennis is Not Always Winning Double

**Fierce, all-year-round tennis does not mix well with marriage and children, Beverley Fleitz declared. She, an American, retired from the Wimbledon championships when informed medically that she was an expectant mother.**

**A**LSA CRAIG, writing from London to Sydney "Sun", reviewed the position in general terms: Long absences from home, necessary if a player is to reach world class, are not what the doctor ordered as regular family medicine.

A lonely husband in New York gets no consolation from the thought that his wife is battling to win a singles title in London, Paris or Sydney.

Dorothy Round, Wimbledon

singles holder in 1934 and 1937, might have won the title a third time, in 1939, only for the claims of motherhood. She married a young doctor, Douglas Little, in 1937. The following year she had a son. By the time the baby was seven months old, she had decided to enter for the 1939 championships.

She did well in the preliminary tournaments, but the thought of her baby left to nurses and relatives was on her conscience.

On the eve of Wimbledon she withdrew and went home to her child.

## Little Poker Face

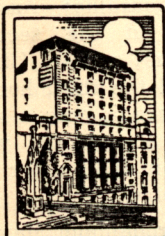
Helen Wills-Moody was Suzanne Lenglen's natural successor. She won Wimbledon eight times, a record no woman has yet broken. Rich, beautiful, with perfect features, clear blue eyes, she was dubbed "Little Poker Face" by spectators because she never smiled.

She married Frederick Moody early in her tennis career, but after nine years of marriage divorced him, alleging mental cruelty. But during the hearing she admitted her husband had "bitterly resented" her trips abroad to play tennis.

Dainty, graceful Sarah Paley Fabyan, nicknamed "The Pavlova of the Courts", was parted from her first husband within six years of marriage. In the Divorce Court she said his criticism of her tennis and her tennis friends had injured her health. Sarah won the American singles in 1941 and 1943, and held more than 50 national doubles titles.

In 1943 she took a second husband, Lieutenant J. G. Elwon, of the United States Navy, and became the mother of a daughter. Tennis again interfered with her domestic life, and this marriage was also dissolved. She is now married to a third husband, Jerome Alan Danzig, a director of Columbia Broadcasting System. And she has given up amateur tennis.

English comedienne Beatrice Lillie, on the behaviour of pseudo intellectuals: "They sit on the floor and drink black coffee—all the while that there are chairs and cream in the room."



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### RESULTS UP TO AND INCLUDING AUGUST 29, 1956

#### FIRST ROUND:

G. J. M. Watson	(Rec. 35)	beat	S. Peters	(Rec. 32)	by 9
T. B. Dwyer	(Rec. 45)	"	S. E. Chatterton	(Rec. 50)	" 8
P. N. Roach	(Rec. 55)	"	E. A. Westhoff	(Rec. 15)	" 10
P. Meagher	(Rec. 40)	"	J. P. O'Neill	(Rec. 20)	" 37
H. G. Elliott	(Rec. 50)	"	H. Bassett	(Rec. 40)	" forfeit
E. J. Baulman	(Rec. 50)	"	D. Lotherington	(Rec. 55)	" 21
D. S. Dind	(Rec. 50)	"	H. S. Sullings	(Rec. 60)	" 23
H. G. Parr	(Rec. 50)	"	W. G. Hutchinson	(Rec. 50)	" 9
L. P. Keating	(Rec. 50)	"	A. H. Stocks	(Rec. 55)	" 28
W. Longworth	(Scr.)	"	H. F. R. Brooks	(Rec. 40)	" 13
A. J. McGill	(Rec. 45)	"	Alan Turner	(Rec. 45)	" 5
D. G. Cohen	(Rec. 50)	"	E. A. Davis	(Rec. 35)	" 4
A. M. Watson	(Rec. 30)	"	D. J. Mooney	(Rec. 50)	" 16
A. V. Miller	(Rec. 35)	"	R. G. Mead	(Rec. 50)	" 10
N. Jacobs	(Rec. 50)	"	I. E. Stanford	(Rec. 45)	" 12
D. Mackie	(Rec. 55)	"	B. Kennedy	(Rec. 40)	" 17
Eric Smith	(Rec. 40)	"	J. C. O'Riordan	(Rec. 50)	" 7
S. Clements	(Rec. 40)	"	E. F. Milverton	(Rec. 40)	" 4
J. I. Armstrong	(Rec. 55)	"	E. W. Abbott	(Rec. 55)	" 17
T. S. Woodbridge	(Rec. 45)	"	A. J. McDowell	(Rec. 55)	" 26
Justice Dovey	(Rec. 50)	"	J. Molloy	(Rec. 35)	" forfeit
K. F. E. Fidden	(Rec. 32)	"	S. Stewart	(Rec. 50)	" 7
K. Foster	(Rec. 40)	"	C. M. McCallum	(Rec. 37)	" 1
L. G. Burke	(Rec. 40)	"	J. A. Roles	(Rec. 52)	" 8
H. J. Robertson	(Scr.)	"	A. S. Gordon	(Rec. 55)	" 2
P. O'Malley-Jones	(Rec. 50)	"	N. Seamonds	(Rec. 60)	" 21
V. L. Kirby	(Rec. 40)	"	J. A. Haigh	(Rec. 40)	" 12
E. J. Vandenberg	(Rec. 50)	"	H. Hill	(Rec. 43)	" 2
L. H. Howarth	(Rec. 35)	"	A. R. Buckle	(Rec. 50)	" 11
A. J. Chown	(Rec. 25)	"	L. G. Melville	(Rec. 30)	" 23
C. Brelaz	(Rec. 40)	"	C. Dunk	(Rec. 50)	" 35
F. N. Anderson	(Rec. 40)	"	W. A. Tyrrell	(Rec. 50)	" 13
J. A. Shaw	(Rec. 52)	"	J. D. Hickey	(Rec. 50)	" 39
J. R. Barrett	(Rec. 45)	"	J. L. Pick	(Rec. 37)	" 37
W. F. Smith	(Rec. 40)	"	J. O'Sullivan	(Rec. 45)	" 15

#### FOURTH ROUND:

C. McCallum	(Rec. 85)	beat	L. J. Haigh	(Rec. 65)	by 15
A. Turner	(Rec. 100)	"	J. D. Hickey	(Rec. 120)	" 31
E. A. Westhoff	(Rec. 75)	"	J. L. Monaro	(Rec. 105)	" 18
A. V. Miller	(Rec. 45)	"	W. G. Hutchinson	(Rec. 110)	" 4
J. A. Roles	(Rec. 120)	"	H. Hill	(Rec. 95)	" 17
L. H. Howarth	(Rec. 105)	"	R. Hutchinson	(Rec. 145)	" 19
S. Peters	(Rec. 100)	"	J. H. Peoples	(Rec. 110)	" 70
J. P. O'Neill	(Rec. 20)	"	S. E. Chatterton	(Rec. 115)	" 14

#### FIFTH ROUND:

A. V. Miller	(Rec. 45)	beat	J. P. O'Neill	(Rec. 20)	by 45
E. A. Westhoff	(Rec. 75)	"	C. M. McCallum	(Rec. 85)	" 31
S. Peters	(Rec. 100)	"	L. H. Howarth	(Rec. 105)	" 7
J. A. Roles	(Rec. 120)	"	A. Turner	(Rec. 100)	" 13

#### SEMI-FINALS:

E. A. Westhoff	(Rec. 75)	beat	J. A. Roles	(Rec. 120)	" 30
A. V. Miller	(Rec. 45)	"	S. Peters	(Rec. 100)	" 30

#### FINAL:

E. A. Westhoff	(Rec. 75)	beat	A. V. Miller	(Rec. 45)	" 70
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# 1956 AUSTRALIAN AMATEUR BILLIARDS TITLE

**The 1956 Australian billiards title to be played for in Melbourne from September 3 to September 14 next will include at least two new contestants to the national event.**

## **WESTERN AUSTRALIA:**

Most notable absentee will be Australian titleholder, Bob Marshall (W.A.), who has held an Australian record for State representation having played in 14 consecutive titles, winning 12. Following Marshall's return early this year from a four months' trip as guest of the B.A. & C.C. of India to its Jubilee Celebrations and to Burma, it has become necessary for him to devote more time to his own business. Reluctantly he forfeited nomination.

W.A. will now be represented by M. C. Bolton, about whom little is known in Eastern States billiards circles.

**VICTORIA:** World titleholder, Tom Cleary, who has twice won the Australian title for Victoria, as well as being runner up on eight occasions, was recently defeated in the final of the 1956 State title by another great Victorian player, Jim Long, and will thus be another conspicuous absentee.

Long has appeared once before in an Australian title event, being runner-up to Marshall in the 1952 Championship held in Adelaide, in which, incidentally, he made a 318 break. Long's current form is best indicated by results achieved in the recent Victorian Championships, comprising two breaks of over 300, including a Victorian record break of 340, two breaks of over 200 and nine breaks of over 100, and also a clearcut win in the final against Tom Cleary by 2434 points to 1789.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA:** That doughty S.A. player, Jack Harris, who like Bob Marshall to

W.A., is synonymous with billiards in S.A., put himself out of the running for State representation by sustaining a broken ankle. S.A. will be represented by Mr. E. H. Gully—another newcomer to Australian title events about whom little is known.

**QUEENSLAND:** Mr. Ossie Pitman of Ipswich will represent his State for the third consecutive year. To gain selection Pitman recently defended his Queensland title and defeated in the final N. McLain by 1547 to 1001. Pitman's score included breaks of 135 and 116.

**TASMANIA:** Due no doubt to a delay in finalising their State title, the name of the Tasmanian representative was not available at the normal notification date. If Ted Pickett, the reigning State Champion and present Australian snooker champion, has not reconsidered his retirement, which he announced after winning the Australian snooker championship, it is possible that Tasmania will provide a third new face for the championship.

**NEW SOUTH WALES:** This State will be represented by Warren Simpson, who, still perhaps better known as a snooker

player, has previously represented N.S.W. in the Australian billiards title in 1952 and 1953.

This year Simpson had a comparatively easy win in the final against F. Cawood. Although the standard of play was not the highest, Simpson's best breaks being 93 and 82, Simpson is improving his knowledge of the game and it should not be long before he will be able to compile much higher breaks with consequent improved averages.

## **Australian Title**

This year's Australian title will have a particular interest to contestants as it is likely that the winner will be invited to represent Australia at the 1957 World title event, scheduled to be held in South Africa.

Even now a situation has arisen similar to 1951 when the event was played for in London. It was that year that the World titleholder, Bob Marshall, failed to gain selection because of his defeat by Tom Cleary, who was thus Australia's No. 1 representative. Fortunately, conditions of the world title permitted participation of the titleholder in certain circumstances, and Bob Marshall was sent as Australia's No. 2 representative subsequently justifying those who contributed to the special fund raised outside of Council by retaining his world title.

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# WELSH BACK RATED AMONG GREATEST

**SPRINGBOKS** on their present tour of Australia and N.Z. answered without hesitation the question as to who was the greatest player of the British Lions' visit last year: Cliff Morgan, five-eighth for Cardiff and Wales.

Short, dark-haired and sturdy—although only 5 ft. 7 ins. he weighs 12 st.—he has that most spectacular attitude of all, elusiveness, to a degree possessed by no other player in the world to-day.

Speed over the vital first 10 yards is his secret, and his slightly bandy legs, moving like the wheels of a clockwork engine lifted off the rails, carry him out of reach of would-be tacklers with an ease that is almost laughable.

On top of that, he has the great player's sixth sense—that intuition which tells him exactly how far he can go or when to make his effort. Like a stalking animal, he awaits his moment. When it comes, hey presto!, a flash of movement, and another Cliff Morgan effort has paved the way for a try.

Of Rugby generally he says: "Leave the game alone. We don't want too many changes in the laws. Nor do I favour all the talk on "throwing the ball about" regardless of the consequences. A forward rush gives me just as big a thrill as a three-quarter movement, and the objective should be a balance between the two—light and shade. Too much "pretty-pretty" stuff defeats its own object."

## RAIDERS OUTED

**ALMOST**—but not quite—unnoticed in the furore over the Yalta disclosures was an item on a secret White House operation. The President had noticed, and casually remarked on, the way squirrels were scratching up his putting green on the White House lawn.

An electronics expert, summoned, proposed high pitched sounds to drive them off. It didn't work—Washington squirrels were used to high-pitched sounds. The Army Signal Corps made a tape recording of repellant noises. That didn't bother Washington squirrels either. Then box traps were laid, and the captives were transported—it was related—to distant woods.

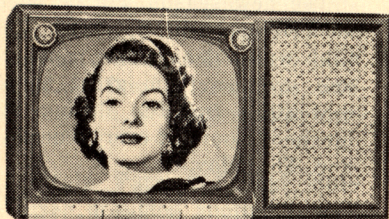
A Congress wag paraphrases the Bible: "Foxes have holes, the birds of the air have nests; but the son of man hath nowhere to putt."

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# CLUB FORMED IN 1928 HAS GREAT RECORD

**PERFORMANCES** and results during the 1955-1956 season showed that Tattersall's Amateur Swimming Club is growing as the seasons go by.

Secretary Jack Dexter who has held the reins of office since the formation of the Club in 1928, waxes eloquent when he reviews its rise since the early days when a field of 12 starters was an event.

During the latest season, by contrast, 60 members contested 37 separate events which required 53 finals and 207 heats to swim them off. Average number of starters was 24 per event.

That's a big lift since 1928. A great joy for the officials who have run races for nine months of every year since the formation 28 years ago, except during war years.

That races were keenly handicapped and a credit to handicapper Jack Gunton is shown by the fact that during the season there were 11 ties for first in heats and five in finals.

## Thanks to Donors

Sam Block, starter, got the boys away in fine style and did a sterling job in general administration. To Jack Gunton and Sam Block the club owes a lot and it was genuine appreciation that prompted members to present those two officials and secretary Jack Dexter with radio sets at Christmas.

To club supporters who presented trophies go the members' thanks. Included are Bill Kirwan for his "Native Son" trophies; Alf Collins for the Club Championship prizes; Arthur McCamley and Clive Hoole for the monthly Point Score trophies; Harry Davis for his

presentation of a consolation trophy for the swimmer who averaged the best performance for twelve or more swims but who did not win another prize.

Nor must we forget our good friends who provide the Christmas Scramble prizes each season.

On the racing side the most important trophy, the "Native Son" for most points scored during the season, went to Leigh Bowes with Geoff Laforest and Geoff Shaw second and third.

The championship was won by Malcolm Fuller from Bob Harris and Leigh Bowes, the previous holder of the title, Bill Kendall, being a non-starter.

Monthly Point Score trophies were won by Harry Davis, Dr. Les Bear (2), Harold Herman, Trevor Barrell, Jack Harris, Geoff Shaw (2), Ken Francis, Frank Miller, Arthur Alsop and Ralph Corrick.

The "Harry Davis" consolation trophy went to Geoff Eastment who finished fourth in the "Native Son" contest and second and twice fourth in monthly point scores. His average for the 29 races he contested was 5.3 points, equal to better than a heat win in each race.

## Signal Honor

Honor of being placed first in most heats and finals went to Geoff Shaw with 14 heats and 11 finals, followed by Geoff Eastment 15-6, Leigh Bowes 16-3, Geoff Laforest 14-3, Sid Sernack 12-5, Les Bear 12-3, Ken Francis 11-4, Stu Murray 12-2, Frank Muller 12-2, Arthur McCamley 9-4, Ralph Corrick 10-3, George Goldie 8-5, Trevor Barrell 11-1, Malcolm Fuller 8-4,

Peter Lindsay 11-1, John Dexter 9-2.

Geoff Shaw's record of 11 wins in the finals of the 29 races contested speaks for itself specially as it was so far ahead of the next best, Geoff Eastment's six. The wonder was that he did not land the season's point score.

Best record of minor placings in finals went to Leigh Bowes with 13. This consistency won him the big trophy of the year. Frank Muller's tally was 10, followed by Geoff Laforest 9, Peter Lindsay, Sid Sernack and Stu. Murray 8 each.

No one contested every race during the season but Fred Harvie and Les Bear missed only one. Leigh Bowes and Peter Lindsay missed two, Geoff Laforest three, Col. Bowes four, Sid Sernack five and Trevor Barrell, Ralph Corrick, Bob Harris and Stu. Murray six each.

## Go To The Ball

To wind up the 1955-1956 season the Swimming Club will hold its annual Ball in the Club on Saturday, September 22. This usual bright function will allow the boys to talk over the doings of the season and their ladies to see them in action in the pool in the time-honoured relay race.

The new season will be commenced early in October. The Club will welcome new members and promise them great sport, recreation and fun during the luncheon hours of every Tuesday and Thursday.

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# Club's Snooker Tournament

## EARLY GAMES REVIEWED BY A CLUB MEMBER

**Early matches in the annual Snooker tournament provided thrilling finishes. Handicappers received almost as much praise as the contestants.**

**I**N the first match of the tournament, Mel Watson defeated Sam Peters 95-86. The match seemed over when Sam potted the black. But luck was against him, because the white ball had been stroked a fraction too hard, and it dropped into a pocket to give Mel the match. This game was a forerunner to many more close battles.

**Club champion Eric Westhoff (rec. 15) met Phil Roach (rec. 55).**

Eric possibly has never played better "downstairs" than he did that day. But, when the reds had disappeared, and the all-important coloured balls had to be potted, Phil's play improved. He potted the black for a 97-87 win, and recorded the first major upset.

**Peter Meagher made a fine impression by defeating Jack O'Neill 97-60.**

Jack (rec. 20) has an excellent "downstairs" temperament, and seemed likely to win when he almost caught Peter (rec. 40) in the early stages. But Peter, who admits to being more at home playing billiards than snooker, then began to pot extremely well. His safety-play left Jack few opportunities, and he ran out a comfortable winner.

**Harold Parr and Wal Hutchinson provided another black-ball game, with Harold winning 92-83.**

Both players received 50 start, and Wal quickly went to a handy lead. But Harold—a re-

nowned fast-finisher—got up in the "last stride".

**Bill Longworth (scr.) was in good form to defeat Roy Brooks (rec. 40) 65-52.**

This match was of great interest to connoisseurs of snooker because of its tenseness. Bill made sure Roy received few chances. Bill was conceding a big start to a capable player. One moment of relaxation on his part, and the result may have been different.

**Andy McGill's 85-80 win over Alan Turner, and George Cohen's**

**73-69 success over Ted Davis were other early highlights.**

Spectators also received plenty of thrills when Eric Smith defeated Jim O'Riordan 95-88, Stan Clements defeated Ted Milverton 93-89, Ken Fidden defeated Stan Stewart 87-80, Ken Foster defeated E. McCallum 74-73, and Len Burke defeated Jack Roles 100-92.

**Young John Haigh made a big impression in his first tournament, losing on the black ball 89-77 to Vince Kirby—a really hard man to beat.**

John made one break of 17 despite some natural nervousness in the early stages.

Scratch-man Hans Robertson gave 55 start to Alan Gordon, and made up the leeway to win 75-73 in a tight finish.

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## BOWLING

# Following the Sun

WITH the warmer weather approaching and greens getting back to normal we can look forward to bright bowling. Some members again followed the sun, and seen around the greens at Coolangatta were Gordon Booth and Alex Buckle, The Chief—Lance Williams, Charlie Blainey and Noel Hough, among others, seemed to enjoy the break.

Cecil Davis led the exodus from the Continent, returning early this month, followed by Don Passmore and Ken Ranger. Surprisingly enough all looked wonderfully fit.

Alan Kippax will leave London about the middle of March returning via America and the Panama. Issy Silk is still toying with the idea of another few months on the Continent.

Congratulations to Ted Abbott on his full victory in the Mid-week Triples Competition. To assist him he had Bill McDonald and Geo Lewis, but they were

only in the team to make up the number. The "Candy Kid" excelled and on the day was devastating as a skipper.

Selector Ken Williams should have no trouble in fielding strong teams in forthcoming matches with such available talent at disposal.

In our first trial game for some time we were successful against Chatswood at Chatswood. As the score cards are not yet to hand, details will be held over until next issue.

Arrangements for the test match against Newcastle Tattersall's are well in hand. Providing the weather be kind, this should be the match of the year. Watch the notice board for particulars.

Innovation of a Trophy Day on Thursday at the Bay is proving popular. To Ken Williams, Jack Pick and Ted Davis we say "Thanks a million for all your bright thoughts."

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## BILLIARDS

### TOURNAMENTS: NEW SYSTEM

THE BILLIARDS committee, composed of Arthur Miller (chairman), Bill Longworth and Eric Westhoff introduced an innovation to the latest tournament by playing the billiards and the snooker competitions distinct and apart from each other.

The committee found that this system tended to greater concentration on the part of players, particularly when competitors were engaged in both tournaments. Non-players, too, appreciated the change.

Henceforth that policy will govern the tournaments.

BEFORE the billiards final commenced, the chairman (John Hickey) thanked competitors for their co-operation and spectators for the interest they had shown.

Arthur Miller spoke in similar terms before play in the snooker tournament began. He mentioned that two members of the billiards committee had fought out the final and concluded: "I trust history will not repeat itself." Members laughed and applauded this sally.



## **Handball**

# **McGilvray Wins Amounis Trophy**

**T**HE final for the Amounis Trophy between George McGilvray and Bruce Partridge resulted in a win for George after a terrific match. Spectators were thrilled from start to finish. What a game!

Bruce commenced better and led 3-2. George came back and levelled at 5 all. The score went to 10 all, 15 all, 20 all and so up to 30 all. You had to see the speed and rallies to appreciate the quality of the game. Bruce broke through for what appeared to be a winning lead at 35-32. George came back and regained the lead, 37-36. Then he went to 38-37 and it was his own service. He won the next point to lead 39-37. Bruce won the next to trail 39-38. George went

to 40-38. Bruce came back to 40-39. George had match point.

Both men settled down after wiping the sweat out of their eyes and then came the climax. Bruce settled down and waited for George to serve. He had been serving fast to this stage and risking all he changed his pace with a slow drop serve which just cleared the foul line on the wall and floor and Bruce was left stranded on the back line.

So ended another competition with George McGilvray a well deserved winner and Bruce Partridge a wonderful runner-up.

The umpiring was done by our friend Sam Block. A better exhibition in the department has not been seen. He raked the

contest a high class game, not only in skill, but in sportsmanship in the tradition of Tattersall's Club. Well done everybody.

## **MISSED GOOD 'UN**

**CLIFF GRAVES** in the "Daily Telegraph": A former Mayor of Waterloo let a good horse slip through his hands a few years ago. At the 1949 yearling sales a colt by The Buzzard from Fox Belle was knocked down to him at 280 guineas. Named Sir Falcon, it was unlucky in races. He eventually sold Sir Falcon at auction for 2850 guineas while it was a maiden. Sir Falcon then struck his true form. He won five races, finishing with the £12,000 Sydney Cup.

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Later, Miss Payten came back into the limelight by winning the ladies' golf championship of Campbelltown Club.

Dr. George McElhone, tennis writer and umpire, classed Miss

Payten as the greatest woman player of all time in Australia, and quoted, as an example of her superiority, a victory in Queensland when at the height of her fame. Her handicap was owe 40, and her opponent in the final received 40. That is to say, Miss Payten had to win three strokes—reach the scratch player's 40—before she started to have her score registered. On top of that her opponent received a start of three strokes—representing 40. In other words, the opponent had only to win one stroke to achieve victory in a game, while Miss Payten had to notch seven consecutive strokes.

## AIR COMMODORE LACHAL

**S**YDNEY DAILY MIRROR, in a special feature article telling of the heroic part played by 600 Australians who helped the Royal Air Force repel the might of German air power in the Battle of Britain, mentioned the name of Wing Commander L. V. Lachal as commanding officer of No. 10 Squadron, which started operations from Pembroke Dock, South Wales.

He finished the war as Air Commodore Lachal, and is now the capable Secretary of Sydney Turf Club, one known widely to the racegoing public as "Snow" Lachal.

The eminent British surgeon Lord Webb-Johnson gave these definitions to the Royal Society of Medicine: "A neurotic is the man who builds a castle in the air. A psychotic is the man who lives in it. And a psychiatrist is the man who collects the rent."

**SWIMMING CLUB BALL:**  
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## WRONG TIP

In 1902 a special convention of scientists was held in Washington to review the attempts to conquer the air and to examine the prospects of success in this endeavour. After long deliberation, the scientists decided that the laws of physics made it impossible that man should ever fly a machine heavier than the air.

Fortunately, the Wright brothers were not invited to that convention. Thus they did not know that flight was impossible. So the next year they went ahead and flew their heavier-than-air machine. The age of flight had arrived.

Chicago "Daily News" on the chastisement of British Laborite Aneurin Bevan: "The trouble with a silver tongue seems to be that when it gets too sharp, it tends to cut the owner's throat."

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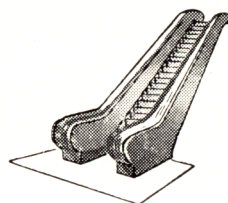
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